WRITING AND EVALUATING ALGEBRAIC EXPRESSIONS

Examples

Five more than m:

Five more than a number, increases a number by 5 so it would be m + 5.

Three less than x:

Three less than a number makes the number smaller by 3 so it would be x - 3.

Triple m:

Tripling a number is the same as multiplying the number by 3 so it would be 3m.

Five divided by x:

Division is usually written as a fraction so it would be $\left| \frac{5}{x} \right|$.

To evaluate an algebraic expression means to calculate the value of the expression when the variable is replaced by a numerical value.

Evaluate
$$2x - 5$$
 if $x = 7$

Solution:
$$2x - 5 \Rightarrow 2 \cdot 7 - 5 = 14 - 5 = 9$$

Evaluate
$$\frac{6}{x} + 9$$
 if $x = 2$

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 if $x = 2$ Solution: $\frac{6}{x} + 9 \Rightarrow \frac{6}{2} + 9 = 3 + 9 = 12$

INSTRUCTIONS: Use the examples above to guide your responses. Show any calculations.

- 2. Double s
- 4. 6 more than y
- 6 m subtracted from a
- The product of 7 and e
- 10. 6 times c
- 12. h times 8, added to j
- 14. Half of r
- Two less than triple n
- 18. 7d if d = 10
- 20. 4 + 8g if g = 6
- 22. $\frac{9g}{27}$ if g = 3

24.
$$\frac{y}{z} + 7$$
 if $y = 4$, $z = 2$